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1. The Air Force units in Slovakia are organized in the so-called Third Air Force Area, which is subordinate to the Fourth Military District. (There are three Air Force Areas in Czechoslovakia with their respective Headquarters located as follows: First - Prague, Second - Brno, Third - Bratislava.) The Third Air Force Area comprises the 4th Air Division (HQ located at Trencin), several air bases, firing ranges, warehouses, service units, and the Air Force Training Center at Biskupice. (Commander of the Fourth Military District is General Sirica, a notorious alcoholic and a Communist, who has no judgment of his own and no military or political knowledge.)
2. Third Air Force Area
 - a. Headquarters: Bratislava, Panenska ulica.
 - b. Commanding Officer: Lt. Col. Julius Trnka: about 38 years old, married, Slovak nationality, Lutheran, member of the Communist Party, intelligent.
 - c. Chief of Staff: Major Jandourek: about 40, Czech nationality, secondary school graduate, graduate of the Military Academy, married, wife born in Piestany. (Not personally known to Source.)
 - d. Air Fields Construction: Staff Captain Stefan Cakany: 37, secondary school and Military Academy graduate, married, wife from Spisska Nova Ves; is very versatile, ready to work for both sides; has blueprints and contracts of all airfields.
 - e. Technical Service: Captain Jan Laf: Czech by birth, naturalized Slovak; had been in charge of investigation of accidents; was promoted to officer (military intelligence); has had little formal schooling (completed normal school). In carrying out his work, he adheres closely to the letter of the regulations. Inter alia, the Technical Service is in charge of gasoline delivered to the Command (most of the gasoline destined for the

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- NCO (rotmistr) Hostovecky.

- a. Commanding Officer: Colonel Mikulas Lisicky, an opportunist who will surely change color when the present regime is on the losing side. Slovak by nationality (born in Ruzomberok), married; his wife is of

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Polish origin and at one time claimed to be a German. Lisicky is of brutal character. (There have been many personnel changes recently. When the Fourth Air Force District /parallel to the Fourth Military District/ was reduced to cadre strength and its duties were taken over by the Third Air Force Area, some of its officers were transferred to the Fourth Air Division at Trencin.)

b. The Fourth Air Division comprises the following subordinate units:

- 1) First Air Regiment, called "Zvolensky" (after the town of Zvolen), stationed at Tri Duby:

Commanding Officer: Colonel Ludovit Koza, Slovak, a fanatical Hlinka Guard member during the period of the Slovak State, now a fanatical Communist; slow in grasping ideas; is at present in Moscow. Staff Captain Ladislav Stasik now probably acts as Koza's deputy. Stasik is not interested in politics and is not enthusiastic about Communism.

- 2) Second Air Regiment, stationed at Piestany:

Commanding Officer: Lt. Col. Josef Kolumbus, Slovak, not active politically; served with the 1st Czechoslovak Army Corps in Russia during the war. The Russians had something against him and wanted to arrest him (details not known to Source).

- 3) 30th Air Regiment, stationed at Trencin:

Commanding Officer: Major Jozef Palenicek, Slovak, married; had some difficulties because during the war he had commanded a Slovak squadron which fought on the German side against the Russians; is nervous and does not feel secure in his position.

- a) The First and Second Air Regiments are equipped with airplanes of the 2-LA-7 and 5-LA-7 types that were used on the Eastern Front towards the end of the war. Each Regiment had about 32 aircraft; Source is not informed as to the present number but states that many of the planes needed repair.

- b) The 30th Regiment had about 36 airplanes of the JI-2 type which were also used on the Eastern Front during the war. These planes, too, needed repair as their fuselage is made partly of wood (and partly of metal) which, exposed to weather, has low durability.

- 4) 44th (or 43rd - designation uncertain) Air Regiment, stationed at Vajnory (near Bratislava):

- a) Commanding Officer: Air Force Major Peter Gasparovic, at present on inactive service, employed in the Bratislava Town Hall; Slovak, married; lives in Vajnory.

- b) Acting CO: Staff Captain Viliam Galvis, born in Modra, single; was a member of the Slovak group in Moscow led by Smidke and Lisicky; not enthusiastic about Communism.

- (1) The 44th (or 43rd) Air Regiment is being built as a reconnaissance unit and equipped with Storks and Siebels. (Further details unknown to Source.)

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- c) OBZ Officer: 1st Lt. Karol Harvan, Slovak, married; heavy build; anti-Communist.
- 5) 4th Air Reserve Regiment, stationed at Poprad:
- a) Commanding Officer: Name unknown to Source. Former CO: Major Frantisek Wagner (nickname: Fanousek) who was transferred out of Poprad and succeeded by Major Rudolf Galbavy, Slovak, married; insincere; Galbavy is probably at Bratislava now.
- b) Deputy: Captain Schulz, Czech, wife Slovak; reportedly works directly with OBZ Bureau at the Ministry of National Defense.
- c) CO Auxiliary Flight: Captain Stefan Zavodsky, Slovak, married; wife comes from Velka near Poprad. Zavodsky is also Mobilization Officer.
- d) OBZ Officer: Captain Fasbaky, Slovak from Tvrdosin, married; ardent supporter of the regime. Assistant: Lt. Galdun, who has a registry of all Air Force personnel of the Fourth Military District (i.e. all Air Force personnel in Slovakia).
- 6) Signal (Communication) Wing, located at Spisska Nova Ves:
- Commanding Officer: Captain Janciga, Slovak; unknown to Source; the unit is in charge of training of Air Force signal specialists. Deputy: Captain Fischer, Czech.
- 7) Air Force Park, Nitra:
- Commanding Officer: Major Daniel Kunic of Pukanec; not a strong supporter of the regime. Deputies: Captain Blazko, Slovak, decidedly against the regime; Captain Matousek.

4. Airfields:

a. Location:

- 1) Malacky
- 2) Vajnory (near Bratislava)
- 3) Piestany
- 4) Trencin
- 5) Zilina
- 6) Nitra
- 7) Tri Duby (near Zvolen)
- 8) Mokrad (north of Liptovsky Hradok)
- 9) Porrad
- 10) Spisska Nova Ves
- 11) Presov

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12) Kosice

13) Kamenica nad Cirokou

14) Batovany

- b. Every airfield has a flight control station and a meteorological station. Additional meteorological stations are located at Telgart and Lomnický štít (mountain in the Tatra Mountains).
- c. With the exception of Malacky, which has one runway (60 by approximately 1,000 meters), the above mentioned airfields have no runways. Dakotas (DC-3) and Messerschmidts can land on all Slovak airfields.

5. Air Base at Malacky:

The Air Base at Malacky, designated as VI 5447, falls directly under the Third Air Force Area (i.e. not under the 4th Air Division at Trenčín).

- a. Commanding Officer: Lt. Col. Milos Hajek, about 45, Czech nationality, secondary school graduate, timid, loquacious; does not understand his job well.
- b. Chief of Staff: not assigned.
- c. Tactical Adjutant: Lt. Caganek, Czech, served in the RAF as weapons officer.
- d. Technical Adjutant: Staff Captain Snajdr, Czech, fanatical Communist, also Commander of the Technical Wing.
- e. OPZ Officer: 1st Lt. Karol Micko, Slovak, secondary school graduate; blindly follows Party directives.
- f. Enlightenment Officer: Staff NCO (rotmistr) Vasko, Slovak from Piestany; fanatical Communist without broader perspective.
- g. Medical Officer: This post is usually held by a cadet-officer (so-called aspirant).
- h. Weapons Officer: Captain Karol Duben, Slovak from Piestany.
- i. Signal Officer: Lt. Hlavenka, incompetent.
- j. Technical Wing: (Staff Captain Snajdr commanding)
 - 1) Transportation Squad: Approximately 12 men, 2 motorcycles, 2 passenger cars, 7 trucks, 2 tractors, 1 tanker.
 - 2) Photography Squad: About 4 men.
 - 3) Meteorological Station: About 6 men.
 - 4) Flight Control: Approximately 10 men, NCO (rotmistr) Dubravsky in charge.
 - 5) Gasoline Storage: Staff NCO (rotmistr) Goldsmit in charge.
 - 6) Maintenance Squad: Approximately 16 men, NCO (rotmistr) Perlovsky in charge.

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- 7) Signal Squad: Approximately 10 men.
- k. Auxiliary Flight: Lt. Kronauer, Slovak, secondary school graduate, anti-Communist.
- l. Procurement and Services Section: Captain Julius Czaberk, Slovak, Party member; during the Slovak State worked for Russia. Liquidation of Accounts: 1st Lt. Jozef Gregor, Party member out of necessity, clever, intelligent. Commissary: Lt. Karol Bielek.
- m. Weapons Training Center:
- 1) CO: Lt. Col. Fiala, Czech, former member of the Czechoslovak Western Army; slow thinker; does not like the Communists; timid.
 - 2) Staff Captain Frantisek Perina: Former member of the Czechoslovak Western Army; anti-Communist; in charge of gunnery practice.
 - 3) Staff Captain Pavel Chovanec: Anti-Communist; in charge of bombardment training.

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